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Elections Probably March 4 As Officials Wait Governors Word

Another Brick Is Laid

Nominations for the offices of President of the Students' Society, Vice-President of the Students' Society, and Chairman of the Students' Athletic Council will probably be called for next Monday and Tuesday, Bryce Weir, this year's Students' Society President, told the *Daily* yesterday. If this is done, elections for these posts will probably be held Friday, March 4.

The reason for the "probably" is that the new constitution of the Students' Society is being considered by the Senate and Board of Governors of the University. These authorities will not give their final recommendations on the new constitutions until Friday, February 19.

NEW REGULATIONS

If the new constitution is approved by Friday, it will regulate the coming elections. This means that women students will be able to run for the Vice-Presidency of the Students' Society, which is the position in the Students' Society held by the President of the Students' Union. Also, graduate students may, for the first time, run for the Presidency of the Students' Society.

Since the University authorities will not pass judgment on the proposed constitution until Friday, the nominations cannot be officially be called for until Monday, February 22. If the nominations are accepted that Monday and Tuesday, the election day is constitutionally set as the tenth day after the last day of nominations, or Friday, March 4.

CONVENIENT DAY

March 4 is also a convenient day for the elections because the Daily ceases publication on Monday, March 7.

The President of the Students' Society is also the Chairman of the SEC, but does not have a vote in the Students' Executive Council unless there is a tie. It is rumoured that three candidates will be running this year for the post.

This is in keeping with the trend begun in last year's election for the position. The two previous years the Students' President gained office by acclamation.

Last year 49.8% of the students eligible to vote did so. This per cent has been roughly the same for the last few years. Last year's election for President of the Students' Society was very close, with Bryce Weir winning by only 94 votes out of the nearly 2500 votes cast.

LAST YEAR

Last year Zafar Khan won the election for President of the Students' Union by the comfortable margin of about 300 votes, while the Chairman of the Students' Athletic Council was acclaimed.

Other societies, such as the Women's Union and the Women's Athletic Association, usually take advantage of the Students' Society voting to hold elections on the same day. Thus eighteen executive positions in the student government of McGill were decided by last year's elections.

The Students' Society President and Vice-President and the Students' Athletic Council Chairman take office at the beginning of the next fiscal year, July 1, 1960. Both the Students' Society Vice-President and the S.A.C. Chairman are on the Students' Executive Council and each have a vote on the SEC.

HONOURED SIGNATURES

The candidates running for the three important positions must present the signatures of one hundred students with their nomination. If there is only one nomination for Students' Society President, the deadline for nominations for the position will be extended for 48 hours.

Balloting is held at prominent places on the campus. The chief returning officer for the SEC is Murray Greenwood, who will be in charge of the elections. He will publish the official notices as soon as possible, but of course no earlier than Monday following the decision of the University authorities on the new constitution.

Stuart Smith Wins Reford Cup For Delivering Best Impromptu Speech

by BRUCE STOVEL

Stuart Smith won the Reford Cup, awarded annually to the best impromptu speaker at McGill, again yesterday.

Smith, a second-year medical student, was last year's winner and is thus is the first student to win the competition for two consecutive years.

The six contestants (Seymour Glouberman, B.A. 3; Jim Khazzam, B.A. 1; Andrew Roman, B. Sc. 1; Stuart Smith; J. J. Elkin, B.A. 3; and Irwin Cotler, B.A. 3) were all given the same topic : "Fraternity".

Each speaker was told the topic five minutes before he spoke. He then gave a five - minute talk while the next contestant prepared his speech.

SAME TOPIC

The fact that all of the speakers had the same topic gave the audience in the Union's Club Room a chance to compare the approach of the six different contestants.

The first speaker, Glouberman, took a humorous tack when he defined "fraternity" as, among other things, "comradeship" and "togetherness". He gave examples to show that the first prevails in Russia and the second in the United States. "But", he explained, "fraternity has its true home in France. There, low license numbers are no mark of distinction — the numbers are all the same."

Khazzam followed this with a speech containing a different twist. After tracing the origin of the word, he described the medieval fraternity. He claimed that the college fraternities which have grown from these are justified in maintining segregation, because they would be falsely liberal if they rushed people of other races only for that reason and not for their intrinsic value.

The next speaker, Roman, gravely decried the most visious type of segregation caused by two fraternities : the segregation between men and women. By uniting these two now-separated bodies, he claimed that we could live up to all the ideals of fraternity and even have our own population explosion to match the ones in India and China.

WINNING SPEECH

Smith's winning speech enquired into the nature of fraternity and its perversion throughout history. He stated that fraternity is based upon the fact that the "brothers" possess something in common and that men have always twisted this concept to their own purposes by trying to extend the idea of fraternity into areas where the brothers have nothing in common.

The basic loneliness of humanity which is satisfied by fraternity was stressed by J. J. Elkin, who spoke next. He claimed that for this reason, and because of their ability to be useful to the community, university fraternities are beneficial.

PREJUDICE EVERYWHERE

Irwin Cotler then said that the discrimination which is so distasteful to us when it appears in other countries in violent forms actually exists around us, as evidenced by the segregation of fraternities. He pointed out that there is a paradox in modern values since the word "fraternity", which used to represent something good, now has a tainted and evil connotation.

The two judges, Professor G. R. Vallilee and Doctor J. Fried, announced that in their opinions, Smith was the winner. They then gave a critique of the speakers and stressed the advantages gained from the discipline of the impromptu competition.

Initiative, Ability Sought By Awards Committee

Students' Society Awards will be again presented at the annual SEC awards banquet scheduled for March 18.

The awards are in three forms: the Students' Society award, an engraved silver mug; the silver award; and honourable mention. The SEC annually makes the awards upon recommendation of a special committee comprising three SEC members, and two representatives appointed from the campus at large.

Chairman this year is Union President Zafar Khan, while Womens' Union President Eleanor Webster and former Commerce representative Duncan Robertson round out the SEC's representatives on the committee. WUS co-chairman, Julyan Fancott and EUS president Norman Bedford were appointed from the campus at large.

In letters, sent to each president or chairman of all clubs, societies or publication under the control of the SEC, the method of nomination for these awards was outlined. The head of the organization's executive was to decide who on his committee, is deserving of an award and submit their names at the Awards Committee. Similarly, a prominent member of the executive may submit the president's name for consideration. The deadline was Friday, February 12.

Committee chairman Zafar Khan told the Daily "no awards shall be given simply because of the importance of an individual's position. It will be necessary for people recommended to have shown initiative and outstanding executive abilities."

Khan declared that this year there should be no argument as to whether or not a recipient merited his prize. "In the past, a great deal of criticism has been directed at the personel and proceedings of the SEC Awards Committee, however it is our hope that this year the awards will be distributed with greater care and justice."

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His Master's Voice

Now don't misunderstand us — we're all for Winter Carnival, and we have no objection to a fraternity's attempts to raise money for Muscular Dystrophy research — but we are against sound trucks, in principle and in practice.

The commands and exhortations blaring forth each noon hour from the trumpet on the truck-top conjure up vivid images of George Orwell's "1984". In principle this peripatetic public address system is contrary to any conception of freedom.

Posters and publicity men, if found to be objectionable, can be ignored. But we cannot shut our ears to "His Master's Voice". The noise can be heard even in the library stacks. Are we expected to listen obediently like the canine on the record label?

The University would do well to ban all such noisy demonstrations. We're not puppies, we're university students, and as such, we object most vehemently to be being brainwashed.

The College Press

From the University of Alberta GATEWAY

I Believe In Me

Some 15 students, forced by the day's cold to picket in 7-man shifts, welcomed Newfoundland's Joey Smallwood to Edmonton with signs demanding Smallwood Go Home.

Those 15 students were a temporary embarassment to this University. They are a credit to studentdom.

The majority of students at the University of Alberta, and probably the majority of those at Universities acrosse the land, would not in their wildest moment, placard a public official. No matter how much they might oppose the policies for which he stands, and no matter how much of a kink their demonstration might throw into an official welcome, most of Alberta's students lack either the devilment or the conviction necessary to placard anybody.

There was a suggestion not long ago that students of today have run out of "causes". The suggestion was supported by a long list of such things as Wall Street or the Emperor of Japan that used to be issues, and no longer are.

We fear the difference is deeper than that. Students of today are no longer interested in causes.

The world abounds with things to campaign for, or against. There is in progress a Cold War, made more chilling by the stocking of arms which can annihilate mankind. There are countless human beings living at a level below what Canadians would call bearable. There is crookedness in labor, immorality in big business, and a combination of both in politics. There is physical unfitness, capital punishment, and the local option on liquor outlets.

To some students of another generation, there would be causes worth placarding about. Even if the cause wasn't valid, the very possession of one was part of earlier student life.

The late John Foster Dulles remembered that in his student days he had joined riots and tossed stones at windows. He didn't recall what he was rioting about or why the stones were tossed, but he knew that he and his fellow students had rioted and stoned.

Today's University of Alberta students are a different breed.

We'll sit around and condemn the people who are running the world, and perhaps offer, in our weaker words, somebody else's thoughts about birth control or the divorce law. But most of us refuse to stand up in a crowd and agitate for change.

So long as today's student can wrangle a second-class average and a date Saturday night, his little world is complete.

This disinterest in large and important matters is not the sign of a healthy student society. It is the student expression of a narrowness and selfishness which are eating the innards out of the democratic life. It is the prelude to, or perhaps the product of, an adult society which glorifies narrow success, and ignores God and the freedoms.

The majority of students at this University are smug, self-satisfied and, if their academic average is high, "secure". We don't take interest in causes. We don't dream of throwing a stone, or getting in a riot. We don't get mad. We just sit with our heads full of knowledge and our hands full of security, and refuse to let the rest of the world intrude upon our consideration.

In this time of student self-interest, it is refreshing to encounter 15 of our fellows who worry enough about other peoples' problems to wave a placard on a freezing day.

Letters to the Editor

Misinterpretation Needs Clarification

Sir:

I think I should clear up a few rather flagrant misinterpretations of material I presented in my conference under the title of "De Gaulle and the Algerian Gangsters".

"De Gaulle... Savior and Spirit of France"; a pretty caption indeed but hardly one making very much sense! Unless I've had a rather bad lapse of memory, I think I said something quite different.

"From all external appearances, there can be no doubt that President De Gaulle has won a great victory... *but*, his constitution for the Fifth Republic is no more than a sophisticated rationale of his position.... It is then for Charles De Gaulle to consider a France great, not under his leadership alone, but honourable, and worthy of her liberal heritage long after he has become a part of her history... or else, his proclamations after every speech, "Vive la France, Vive la République", seem to me hollow and contemptible!"

Georges Irvin
B.Sc. I.

Thank You, McGill From ZBT Fraternity

Sir:

On behalf of The Muscular Dystrophy Association of Canada, we wish to thank the McGill student body for its support during our recent project in aid of the Association.

The brothers of the Zeta Beta Tau Fraternity are most appreciative of the financial contributions made by many students ,as well as their presence at our Valentine Ball at Victoria Hall on Friday night. Through their generous support, we were able to realize a substantial amount to help further the research work of The Muscular Dystrophy Association.

We also express our sincere thanks to the *Daily*, the McGill Union, the Registrar's Office, and the men's and women's fraternities for aiding us in various phases of our undertaking.

Lionel Schwartz and
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Dr. Dunbar To Discuss Population

The annual symposium of the Biological Society will be held tomorrow at 8:00 pm in the Physical Sciences Centre Auditorium.

The increasing world population will be discussed from a biological view point.

Dr. M.J. Dunbar of the Zoology Department will open the symposium with an outline of the various processes necessary to produce and maintain a given sized population. Dr. T.W.M. Cameron, Director of the Institute of Parasitology, Macdonald College, will review the part disease and man's efforts to control disease have played on the grow of human population and activities in historic times.

The third speaker, Dr. E. Laurence Palmer of Cornell University, will present certain observations and principles from the field of animal conservation that demonstrate the need for a controlled population size, and will discuss the dangers inherent in exceeding the limits set by environmental considerations.

The last speaker will be Mr. J. Bourgeois-Pichat, from the Populations Branch of the United Nations, New-York. A sociologist, he has published a number of important contributions in the field of human population studies.

Following the four speakers, a film entitled "The World is Rich" will be shown. Produced in 1947, the film deals with the dangers of disease, famine and associated human suffering as a result of unequal distribution of population and resources.

SAM Will Tour Stock Exchange

The Society for Advancement of Management is sponsoring a tour to the Montreal and Canadian Stock Exchanges today. The bus will leave from Roddick Gates at 2 pm and will return to the Campus by 3:45 pm.

There will be a complete guided tour of the Exchanges which are located on St. François Xavier Street, right in the heart of Montreal's financial district. All the intricacies involved in the execution of stock orders will be explained. The orders, billing and the typing of the ticker tape will all be expounded upon.

Two booklets published by the Exchanges will be distributed to the students taking part in the tour. They are "Canada's Security Market Places" and "How to grow a Second Income."

SAM is planning a general meeting for next Tuesday, February 23 at 1 pm in the Walter M. Stewart Room of the Union. Mr. H. McShane will speak on the general area of Industrial Relations with a practical day to day application within a manufacturing plant.

The last meeting of the year will take place on Tuesday, March 1 when the elections will take place. The positions to be contested are: President, 3 Vice-Presidents, Treasurer and two Secretaries.

Fate Of $25 Million Backlog Of Grants Under Discussion

Finance Minister Fleming and Premier Antonio Barrette met behind closed doors last Saturday to discuss the disposal of the $25 million backlog of Federal grants refused by Quebec universities.

A government spokesman stated that these meeting would continue until a solution was reached.

The $25 million represents grants voted to the Quebec universities by parliament but not accepted on the grounds that provincial right in the field of education had been infringed on. The money is held by the Canadian Universities Foundation pending settlement of the long-standing dispute between Quebec and the Federal Government over Federal aid to education.

The Quebec legislature has recently approved a bill providing that the $25 million, on receiving it, be placed in a sinking fund set up to help provincial universities finance construction and expansion programs totaling up to $75 million.

Earlier, Premier Barrette announced that he was soon to meet a personal representative of the Prime Minister to make a settlement of the accumulated grants.

COMING

Today

HISTORICAL SOCIETY TO HEAR SPEECH

Hugh Stewart, Honours History, B.A. 111, will address the McGill Historical Society on the subject "Disraeli" at 8 pm. 3534 Durocher Street, Apt. 20.

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The Chemical Institute of Canada will give a demonstration of Glass Blowing by an expert from CIL from 1 to 2 pm. in Rm. 104 of the Chemistry Building.

SAM SEES STOCK EXCHANGE

The Society for the Advancement of Management will tour the Montreal and Canadian Stock Exchange today. Bus leaves Roddick Gates at 2 pm. and returns to campus at 3:45.

MEETING OF P.C.'s

There will be a meeting of the Progressive Conservative Club to discuss recent developments in the University grants situation from 1-2 pm. in Rm. 210 of the Arts Building.

CHORAL SOCIETY HOLDS PRACTICE

The McGill Choral Society will hold a practice in the Union Ballroom tonight at 5-6:30 pm. New members are welcome.

BIOLOGICAL SOCIETY HOLDS SYMPOSIUM

An Annual Symposium entitled "The World is Rich" will take place at 8 pm. in the PSCA. Four speakers will be present to discuss the aspects of an ecologist, medical parasitologist, conservation, demographer. A movie, "The World is Rich" will be shown.

SPEAKER AT HILLEL HOUSE

As part of the 'Zionism and Israel' Series, Mr. A. L. Kronitz, Vice President of the Labour Zionist Organization of Canada will discuss the topic: "Issues in Zionism today", at 1 pm at Hillel House.

WEDNESDAY

CANTERBURY ELECTIONS HELD

Elections for executive officers of Canterbury will be held all this week from 12 to 6 pm. at Canterbury Centre, 3479 University.

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SCM and Canterbury will present "Voice Crying in the Wilderness" — a unique film on John the Baptist, produced and acted by English Villagers of all faiths — PSCA at 1 pm.

OLER ADDRESSES MATH CLUB

Professor N. Oler will speak on the "Geometry of Numbers" at 1-2 pm., Room 106 of the PSC.

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For the Femmes

by CECILE KALIFON
Women's Sports Editor

THE VOLLEYBALL TRAUMA

McGill's volleyball team came a dead last in the Intercollegiate Tournament held at the Currie gym Friday and Saturday. What a degrading show for home fans and McGill!

Six teams participated in the meet, McGill, Queen's, McMaster, Toronto and OAC. Next to Toronto, McGill has the largest number of females from which an intercollegiate team could be selected. However, a dozen or so girls attended practices and made the team. Twelve females from 1,300. No tryouts, or a reasonable facsimile were held during the entire year. The coach had to go along with what had turned out and McGill had to be represented by this team.

It is common knowledge that during the past few years some of the teams that McGill has entered in intercollegiate play have done little more than bring disgrace to the university. Lack of interest on the part of women in athletics has made McGill a second rate power in sports and it's about time that the situation is rectified.

NO ROOM FOR BEGINNERS

The WAA offers little in the way of teaching co-eds a new sport. Almost all intramural tournament are organized for those who have the necessary skills and experience to participate in the tourney. Students, interested in basketball, golf, skiing, tennis and volleyball have no chance, should they have entered McGill without the past experience. There is little room for novices in the above sports, although coaching is presented.

We would like to see the WAA athletic programme adjusted so as to ensure beginner's coaching, particularly in tennis, golf and skiing. At present, the Golf Club is non-existent. An intramural meet is held once a year, period. The club, however, could meet indoors weekly, giving instruction to newcomers and practice to the experienced. Likewise, the Tennis Club, which vanishes after the fall tournament, should inaugurate a programme so as to teach and promote tennis throughout the year.

The Skiing Club could set aside Saturday afternoons, as a meeting date and provide coaching to newcomers and others, on Mount Royal. The proposed extension of the present clubs would almost guarantee interest in that many more students. Entries in intramural golf, skiing and tennis would double. More students would vie for positions on intercollegiate teams, the extra competition increasing the calibre of the team. And above all, students leaving McGill will have gained something for their $15.00 annual athletic fee, many of whom are unaware that they even pay it.

THE SHOOTING SPORTS

The Intramural Archery Tournament is being held this Wednesday, 1-3 pm and Thursday 2-4 pm. The tournament will continue next Wednesday and Thursday, same time. For those who have done little shooting, fear not. You can sharpen up this week and then turn out for the tournament as late as February 25.

The Rifle Club is in the midst of its intramural shooting. Due to Winter Carnival the Club will not be meeting this Thursday, but the following Thursday. For those who have not, as yet, shot in the meet, you are welcome to come to the Rifle Range next Thursday evening. The McGill Rifle Club has become affiliated with the PQRA. Ann Hislop was recently elected Rifley President for the coming year, succeeding Joan Olmstead.

WHAT'S LEFT OVER...

It is rumoured that Peter Cundill will join the Daily cheerleaderettes squad in the SEC-Daily football game. Liz Duquet has consented to write the cheers and yells. Nancy Anglin has been elected President of the Badminton Club, while Helen Rosenbloom has been named representative to the Murray League. Tickets are now on sale for the Modern Dance Concert to be held at the end of the month in Moyse Hall. Roz Saginur, Ellie Kirschenbaum and Isabel Tanzman have joined the BWVL (bench warming volleyball league).

Western Wins Volleyball Meet

McGill's Volleyball Team lost all its matches to end up in the cellar in the Intercollegiate meet held over the weekend at the Currie gym. Western, for the fourth consecutive year took first place in the tournament, by winning all its games. Queen's, Toronto, McMaster, OAC and McGill followed in that order.

The meet was so arranged that each team played each other once in a match, a match consisting of three games, of twelve minutes each.

Only two holdovers from last year's team were present in the persons of Judy Zeisler and Caron Brunsch. Coach Dorothy Helleur had to start from scratch and the team looked it. It was only against OAC and McMaster that the team managed to win one of the games in the match, the scores being 17-13 against OAC and 24-16 against McMaster. However, the McGill squad lost the two other games, thus gaining no credit on the scoresheet.

First place Western walloped McGill 23-11 and 43-1 while runner-up Queen's topped the Red and White 17-15 and 15-11. McGill was again hampered by the strict officiating. Play was stopped continuously for "holding" and "pushing" and it reached a point where the safest way to make contact with the ball was through the fists, which meant little control of its movement. One of the referees, when asked, what was meant by "pushing" stated that it was "undefinable".

A conference on the rigidity of volleyball rules was to have been held several weeks ago, but was called off. In the meantime, the game has deteriorated to a point where all the fun has been replaced by fear.

Hoopsters Seek Win

The McGill Redmen Basketball team takes on Loyola tonight in the second to last game in the city league play.

The locals were supposed to meet Sir George but that has been changed to next week. Should the Georgians win their game this week, they become champions. It they lose tonight and to McGill next week, then these two teams tie for the league lead.

CHEERLEADERETTES!

Seven sprite cheerleaderettes will take to the Lower Campus Thursday at 1 pm to cheer the "best paper on campus" to an astounding sweep. Scheduled to spur the staffers under the direction of Sea-Seal are Liz Duquet, Ann Weldon, Bertha Kalifon, Norma Phillips, Claudia Hulme, May Biexdermann and Barbara Jessop. The PAPER team will meet from 1-1:15 pm in the Office tomorrow.

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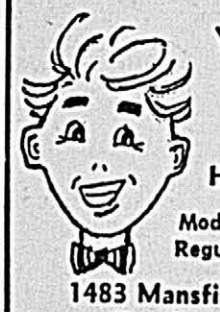

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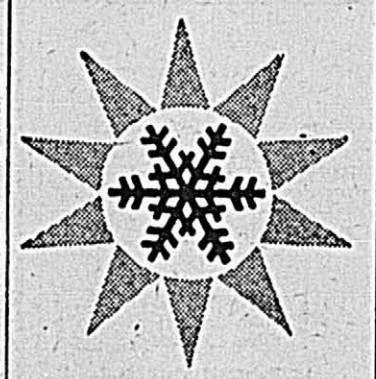

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Top Skiers Form Team

The Women's Intercollegiate Skiing Team has been named and consists of Marian MacDougall, Gael Eakin, Nora Altimas and Claudia Bierman.

On Friday morning the squad will be racing in a giant slalom at St. Sauveur as part of the Winter Carnival. On the same afternoon they will participate in a slalom event at Mt. Habitant against teams from Middlebury, Queen's and the University of Vermont.

All four girls are old hands at the sport of skiing with plenty of experience behind them. MacDougall, Eakin, and Altimas were on last year's team which did remarkably well in all their Intercollegiate encounters. A repeat performance by the three should place McGill on top of skiing fame once more.

Last year MacDougall and Eakin made the Canadian International Team as a result of repeatedly top performances. This past weekend the two raced in the Ryan Cup at Mt. Tremblant. MacDougall is a third year Commerce student and is rated as a Ladies Class B skier while Eakin, a third year Arts student is also Class B. Nora Altimas, in fourth year Commerce is classified as Ladies Class C. Claudia Bierman, a newcomer to McGill hails from Mount Royal High where she was a top member of the school's team. Bierman is now skiing in Junior Class C and is a promising young star for McGill.

Basketbelles Victorious

McGill's junior basketbelles eked out a 16-14 win over Marianopolis to enhance their chances of finishing first in the Women's Open Basketball League.

In the third quarter McGill began to hit the bull's eye, countering 5 unanswered points. Marianopolis threatened in the final minutes of play but could not catch up as time gave out.

Star of the game was Ella May Bradley who was converted to forward after playing the whole year on offense. She notched 11 points and was by far the most dangerous on the floor.

Mary Biederman, one of the most versatile on the team, came through in fine style. Listed as a forward and guard, her true value to the team was tested when only one regular forward was able to participate in the contest.